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FILING DATE FIRST NAMED APPLICANT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO 77240,524 01/29/99 GERNDT KCC-14-026 PAULEY PETERSEN KINNE & QM02/0307 EXAMINER 2800 WEST HIGGINS ROAD ATKINSON, C SUITE 365 HOFFMAN ESTATES IL 60195 ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER DATE MALED: Below is a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS 03/07/01 ADVISORY ACTION THE PERIOD FOR REPLY:  $_{f \perp}$  months from the date of the final Office action (including extensions of time granted). b) expires either (1) three months from the mail date of the final Office action, or (2) on the mail date of this Advisory Action, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than six months from the mail date of the final Office action. Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above. Appellant's Brief is due in accordance with 37 CFB 1.192(a). Applicant's reply to the final rejection, filed 2/13/0/ has been considered with the following effect, but it is not deemed to place the application in condition for allowance. 1. The proposed amendment to the claim and/or specifications will not be entered and the final rejection stands because: a.  $\Box$  There is no convincing showing under 37 CFR 1.116(b) why the proposed amendment is necessary and was not b. They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See Note). c. They raise the issue of new matter. (See Note). d. 

They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal. The proposed amontments to claims 1, 14 and 20 raise new issues, that would require turther consideration and/or searce 2. Newly proposed or amended claim\_ would be allowed if submitted in a separately filed amendment cancelling the non-allowable claims. 3. Upon the filing an appeal, the proposed amendment will be entered will not be entered and the status of the claims will be as follows: Claim allowed: Claims objected to: none Claims rejected: However: Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): 4. The affidavit, exhibit or request for reconsideration has been considered but does not overcome the rejection because \_ 5. The affidavit or exhibit will not be considered because applicant has not shown good and sufficent reasons why it was not earlier The proposed drawing correction Thas I has not been approved by the examiner bat is not entered remembers. F Filed Histol her dot been entered. Applicant may obtain further examination by filing a request for an application under 37 CFR. 1. Example 1. Example 2. 1. Example 2. Example 2.